IN THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to FIGS. 1 and 4. These sheets, which include FIGS. 1 and 4, replace the original sheets including FIGS. 1, 2, 3, and 4.

REMARKS

No new matter has been added. The amendments to the claims address typographical and spelling errors, and improve antecedent basis. The amendments do not affect, or surrender, any scope of any claim as originally filed.

FIGS. 1 and 4 have been amended herein. Specifically, FIG. 1 has been revised to add the reference numeral --10-- with appropriate lead line; and FIG. 4 has been revised to change the wording within the box of reference numeral "50" to read --AUTOMATED COMPRESSION ENGINE--. No new matter has been added.

The Applicants again request entry of the amendments as set forth herein prior to examination of the application on the merits.

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APPENDIX

(REPLACEMENT SHEETS OF FIGS. 1 and 4 AND ANNOTATED SHEETS SHOWING CHANGES)

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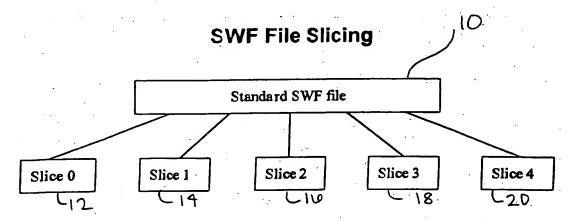


FIG. 1 (Prior Art)

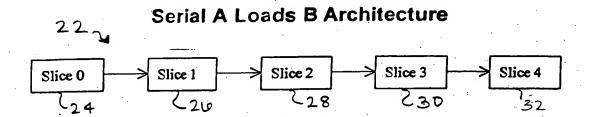


FIG. 2 (Prior Art)

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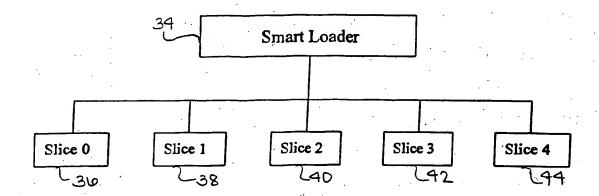


FIG. 3

Flash Slice Architecture

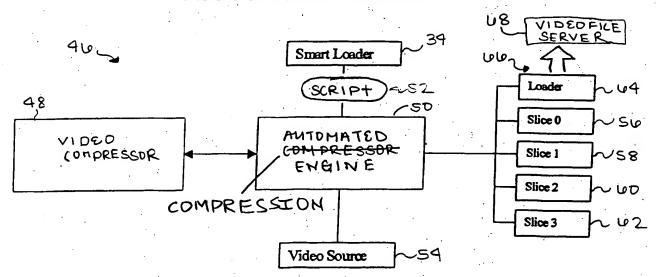


FIG. 4